IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) 9:06Mi145
Plaintiff,) 8:06Mj145)
VS.) ORDER) FOR DETENTION OF WITNESS) LEONEL GARCIA-ARRIOLA
PEDRO VELASCO-IXTEPAN,)
Defendant.)

This matter is before the court on the application of the United States for the arrest and detention of a material witness, Leonel Garcia-Arriola. The court having found that the application set forth the materiality of the witness's testimony in the above-captioned matter and that it may become impracticable to secure the presence of the witness by subpoena, an arrest warrant was issued for the arrest of witness Leonel Garcia-Arriola on December 4, 2006, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3144. Following the witness's arrest, the material witness Leonel Garcia-Arriola was brought before the undersigned magistrate judge for a hearing.

Leonel Garcia-Arriola appeared on December 7, 2006 with his court-appointed counsel, James E. Reisinger. The United States was represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Douglas R. Semisch. During the hearing, Louis Nigaglioni, a certified interpreter in the Spanish language, was present by remote telephone hook-up.

Through his counsel, material witness Leonel Garcia-Arriola waived a detention hearing. I find that it may become impracticable to secure the presence of the witness by subpoena if the witness absconds to Mexico if he were released from custody on conditions. Since the INS has placed a detainer with the U.S. Marshal for removal proceedings with regard to the witness and the witness has no roots in this community or state, I find that there

is no condition or combination of conditions that would reasonably assure the presence of the

witness for the upcoming criminal proceedings in this matter if he was released on conditions.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. The witness, Leonel Garcia-Arriola, is committed to the custody of the Attorney

General or his designated representative for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to

the extent practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody

pending appeal. The witness shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity for private

consultation with his counsel. On order of a court of the United States or on request of an

attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility shall deliver the

witness to the United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a

court proceeding.

2. Any motion or request for a deposition of the witness pursuant to Fed. R. Crim.

P. 15(a) and 18 U.S.C. § 1344 shall be served on all parties to this case.

DATED this 8th day of December, 2006.

BY THE COURT:

s/ F.A. Gossett United States Magistrate Judge